



JOE FOSS  
GOVERNOR

PIERRE

# PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our trees, forests, forest products and forest influences are essential to the livelihood, well-being and recreation of the citizens of the state; and

WHEREAS, our trees and forests are one of our few renewable natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the experience in the past years in the shelterbelt and other related tree planting programs has furnished living proof that trees will live and grow if properly planted and cared for; and

WHEREAS, the Keep South Dakota Green movement and the Tree Farm program, in which outstanding farmers and timber owners are recognized, are proving a success; and

WHEREAS, it is most desirable that schools, civic organizations, farmers, newspapers, youth groups, young and old alike, participate in programs and ceremonies which emphasize the need for planting of trees and shrubs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Foss, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 29, 1955, as

## ARBOR - DAY

and respectfully urge that appropriate exercises be held in the public schools; that the newspapers of the state lend their assistance; that civic, church, farm and youth organizations unite in directing the attention of the people to the need and importance of conserving and increasing our vital supply of timber. Let Arbor Day be a tree planting day and a new and greater interest will be stimulated in our true appreciation of trees, tree planting and conservation. I earnestly request that the day be observed in a loyal and public spirited manner by all of our people, and that Arbor Day will become a symbol of our faith in the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have ~~hereunto~~ set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 15th day of February, 1955.

ATTEST:

... *Maudine Ostreet* ...  
Secretary of State

... *Joe Foss* ...  
Governor

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